

WE BECAME VERY FAMOUS AS THE 'FANS BLADE SLAYERS'
BECAUSE THE MONSTER WAS REALLY STRONG AND SHOULDN'T
HAVE BEEN DEFEATED BY TRAINEES LIKE ME AND PRAY.

THE MEDIA COVERED THE STORY AS WELL.



OF COURSE, THE VIDEO WAS NOT ALLOWED TO GO PUBLIC..

BECAUSE A KNIGHT TRAINEE BEATING UP
MILITARY PERSONNEL WOULD NOT BE GOOD FOR MORALE.

KNIGHTS ARE LIKE ICONIC HEROES.

FACTITIOUS ICONS.

THE GOVERNMENT, MILITARY, AND MEDIA ARE HIGHLIGHTING
THE KNIGHT'S HEROISM AND TRYING TO BRAINKASH
THE PUBLIC INTO HOLDING ONTO HOPE.

THE DEVASTATED PUBLIC NEEDED SOMETHING
TO HOLD ONTO AS THE BATTLE DREW OUT.

CALLING THE "ELITE SOLDIERS" BORN FROM AG-ELEMENTAL
WEAPONRY KNIGHTS WAS SIMPLY DUE TO THE NEED FOR
SYMBOLISM, A REFERENCE TO MEDIEVAL SOLDIERS ON HORSES
AND THEIR SOCIAL STANDING.

THAT WORD IN THE FAIRY TALES ALWAYS
MEANT MORE THAN THE WORD ITSELF. IT MEANT "HERO".

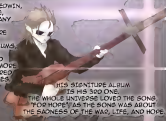


THE FACT THAT THE BEST SELLER IN THE WHOLE UNIVERSE, ALSO
THE MAIN SOURCE OF INCOME FOR THE KNIGHTS, IS A MAGAZINE
CALLED "KNIGHTS" WHICH SHOWS THE PUBLIC'S INTEREST IN THEM.

OUR STORY WAS A 3 PAGE ARTICLE IN "KNIGHTS".

SOME KNIGHTS USED THEIR POPULARITY FOR DIFFERENT PURPOSES SUCH AS ADVERTISEMENTS, PG, AND MORE.

KNIGHT BEN EDWIN, FOR EXAMPLE, RELEASED MANY ALBUMS. HE SOLD MORE THAN FIFTY MILLION ALBUMS, AND PEOPLE DOWNLOADED HIS SONGS MORE THAN A HUNDRED MILLION TIMES.



HIS SIGNATURE ALBUM IS HIS 500 ONE. THE WHOLE UNIVERSE LOVED THE SONG "FOR HOPE" AS THE SONG WAS ABOUT THE SACKNESS OF THE WAR, LIFE, AND HOPE.

KNIGHTS MUNE AND MEI FORMED A GIRL DUET GROUP NAMED "KNIGHT PLUS KNIGHT". AS CUTE AND AIRY IDOLS, THEIR FIRST ALBUM DID NOT RECEIVE GOOD REVIEWS, BUT SINCE THEY HAVE A LARGE CULT LIKE FOLLOWINGS, AND SELL OUT CONCERTS, THEY'RE NOW RECORDING THEIR 2ND ALBUM.



THEY HAVE A HUGE FAN CLUB THAT EXTENDS THROUGHOUT SPACE.
RECENT RUMORS SUGGEST THE GIRLS ARE SERIOUSLY
CONSIDERING THEIR RETIREMENT FROM THE KNIGHTS.

I WILL NOW SING
"MILO-THE MAN WHO
KNOWS HOW TO LOVE."



THERE ARE SUN & MOON,
DAYS & NIGHTS, AND
SUCCESS & FAILURE. MILO,
THE EX-MASTER KNIGHT
OF THE CENTRAL KNIGHTS
AND KNIGHT TRAINER FOR
THE KNIGHTS RESERVE,
RELEASED HIS 1ST
ALBUM NAMED "MILO-THE MAN
WHO KNOWS HOW TO LOVE."
IT WAS A DISASTER.

IT DIDN'T
EVEN SELL
100 COPIES
OFFLINE.



THE... THIS
CAN'T BE... IT
IS...
TONG-DEAFY



THE VICTIMS OF THIS
DISASTER DIDN'T END
WITH HIS MUSIC LABEL,
BUT INCLUDED MANY
OTHERS. FOR EXAMPLE,
"JANE DOE A", WHO WAS
FORCED TO BE HIS
CHORUS GIRL, STILL
SUFFERS FROM THE
TRAUMA.



THE ONES RETURNING TO THEIR HOME PLANET ARIN..

AND THE PEOPLE WAITING FOR THEIR LOVED ONES.









MY CLASSMATE "FAY" WHO WAS UNABLE TO JOIN THE BATTLE.
SHE'S PROBABLY WAITING FOR HER FRIEND, CARL.

SOMETIMES



THESE ARE THOSE WHO WAIT FOR THEIR LOVED
ONES AT THE STATION, EVEN THOUGH
THEIR NAMES WERE ON THE
CASUALTY LIST.

UGH—



THE PERSON SHE IS WAITING FOR WILL NEVER WALK
OUT OF THE GATE.

EVEN THOUGH IT'S CALLED 'CENTRAL KNIGHTS',
IT'S JUST A PLAIN VILLAGE IN THE COUNTRYSIDE.





AND HELLO! AMNE
YOU CAME BACK
ALIVE AGAIN



I'LL GIVE YOU
A BADRAIN
WANT ONE?



SINCE WE WERE
IN THE MONSTER'S
INFLUENCE ZONE,
MY BIO-RECONNECTION
DEVICE WAS DAMAGED,
SO I CAN'T BUY ANYTHING.
I'LL BUY MY CREDIT CARD
NEXT TIME I VISIT.



PUT THIS ON
FOR FREE

THANKS TO YOU,
I HAD AN INTERVIEW
WITH "ENDLESS"
LAST MONTH

FLING



JUST INCREASED
MY INCOME

OH! CHEAP
AND DELICIOUS
POKE



TYPE-1
[POOR CHILDHOOD]



TYPE-2
[DIRTY PLAY
BOOKS HAND]



TYPE-3
[BAD TEACHERS AND...
BUT ONE DATE EVERYTHING?]



THE KIDS WHO DIDN'T RETURN.

THE EDUCATION SYSTEM IN CENTRAL KNIGHTS LOOKS LIKE
A SCHOOL, BUT IT'S ACTUALLY A BATTLE GROUND.



JUST LIKE IN SCHOOL,
THE STUDENTS SHARE THEIR KNOWLEDGE AND FRIENDSHIP.



AT THE SAME TIME, THEY LEARN
TO USE KNIVES AND GUNS,



AND THEY ARE EDUCATED
IN THE METHODS OF KILLING
MONSTERS.

IN THIS AGE OF
SPACE-CRUISEATION, AS THE BATTLE
EXPANDS THROUGH SPACE, THE MOST IMPORTANT
STRATEGIC WEAPON IS THE GATE, WHICH
ALLOWS PEOPLE TO TRAVEL THROUGH SPACE
WITHOUT ANY TIME LAG.

EFFICIENT USE OF THE
"WARP GATE" IS THE KEY
TO THIS BATTLE'S VICTORY

HOWEVER, DURING THE 1ST BATTLE AGAINST
THE MONITERS, 300 YEARS AGO, OUR SIDE
RELATED TECHNOLOGY WAS MOSTLY DESTROYED AND
WE ONLY MANAGED TO MAINTAIN A SMALL NUMBER OF
OLD GATES AND ONE BATTLE CRUISER
WITH BLACK HOLE-ENGINE TECHNOLOGY CAPABLE
OF CARRYING HULLCANNONS TO ANOTHER GALAXY USING
"WARP" TECHNOLOGY. UNFORTUNATELY IT IS NOW
300 HUNDRED YEARS PAST ITS OPTIME LIFESPAN

IT WOULD NOT BE AN UNDERSTATEMENT
TO SAY THAT THE CURRENT BATTLE
IS A BATTLE TO PROTECT THESE THINGS—
THE T-ORBIT CRUISERS ARE THE ONLY OTHER
WAY TO GET THROUGH SPACE, BUT BECAUSE
IT TAKES TOO LONG,
IT IS NOT AS EFFECTIVE
AS A GATE.



CLASSMATES ARE CHANGED
FREQUENTLY IN ORDER TO AVOID
GETTING TOO CLOSE TO DEATH.



THE DEATH OF A CLASSMATE
YOU HARDLY KNOW









SOMETIMES.. THANKS TO PRAY, I CAN'T BE DEPRESSED.
NOTHING CAN DEPRESS HER, NOT EVEN A CLASSMATE'S DEATH.

SHE.. DOESN'T REALLY CARE ABOUT THE OTHERS.







AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA!



WHY? THIS IS TOO MUCH!

TAKE PAY TO THE INFORMANTS! HURRY!

I'M NOT SO EASY ON YOU
'CAUSE OF ANNE, BUT IT

BUT WHAT?

SINCE ANNE HATES
KILLING, WHY DON'T
I JUST CUT OFF
YOUR ARMS
AND LEGS.

ATTACK ME
WITH WHATEVER
BITS OF
SPECIAL POWERS
YOU'VE GOT

PLEASE

IS

I'LL CHECK
IF YOU GUYS
ARE REALLY
THE PROTECTOR
OF EACH WORLD.



IT'S ALWAYS PRAY'S AGGRESSIVE ATTITUDE..

APOLOGIZE

APOLOGIZE



DAMN IT,
WHY DO I NEED
TO APOLOGIZE
TO HER?
I DIDN'T START
THE FIGHT

I KNOW
BUT IT'S
NOT RIGHT
TO DO THAT,
PRAY

I WANTED TO COMFORT HER. SHE WAS
IN SORROW AFTER HER LOSS, BUT I JUST COULDN'T
FIND THE RIGHT WORDS TO SAY AFTER SEEING HER IN TEARS.

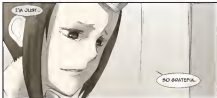


PRAY. HER REJECTION OF STRANGERS MAY SEEM ABNORMAL BUT
SHE MIGHT BE THE SMARTEST OUT OF US.

BECAUSE SHE OSTRACIZES OTHERS,
SHE DOESN'T GET HURT BY THEIR DEATHS.

HOWEVER, I MIGHT BE ABNORMAL TOO, BECAUSE
I CARE TOO MUCH ABOUT EVERYONE,
EVEN THOSE I DON'T EVEN KNOW.





JIN JAWKINGO "TOURON" SCENE



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A BIT... OF MY
HEART SEEMED
TO BE AT EASE

BECAUSE OF THAT,
MY MORN WAS SOGGY.

JILL BARELY ESCAPED DEATH...

AT THAT TIME, HER NERVOUS SYSTEM WAS CRITICALLY DAMAGED
BY THE 5TH MONSTER'S UNIQUE NERVE-SCRAMBLING WEAPON AND
COULDN'T BE HANDLED BY THE NANOMACHINE.





"THEY DESTROYED MY HOMETOWN...
MY FAMILY MANAGED TO SURVIVE BECAUSE OF THE KNIGHTS..."

"FROM NOW ON... I HAVE TO PROTECT THEM."

SAID THE ONLY OTHER PERSON
WHO DILIGENTLY CARED FOR
AND TALKED TO PRAY.

MY HEART FEELS GLOOMY.





EVEN CLASS UP
ON BEING CALLED UP.
AND THEY'RE TRAINED.

WELL, THEY'RE
GONNA BECOME
KNIGHTS VERY
SOON.



TEENAGE JOBS HARDLY ADE
TO SAVE THEIR MONEY 'CAUSE
THE KNIGHTS-FOUNDATION
DEBATES THEM TO MAKE
CONTRIBUTIONS.

I HEARD THAT A
KNIGHT'S SALARY
IS NOTHING
COMPARED TO
THE TUTION.

THAT'S NOT
THE POINT.



HUMAN BEINGS
WILL THEY SURVIVE?

I DON'T SAVE
A DAMN



IT'S EITHER KILL
OR BE KILLED.
ONE OR THE
OTHER.



I PREFER TO KILL.

NO. THE EXTINCTION OF
HUMAN BEINGS
WOULD NOT BE BAD,
I GUESS.

NOBODY'S GONNA BOTHER
ME AND ANNE.

MONSTERS
DON'T BOTHER YOU?

AH, RIGHT.

BUT I'LL PROTECT
YOU, ANNE.

I DON'T CARE IF
THE OTHERS DIE OR NOT.

THEN I'LL HAVE TO
PROTECT THE OTHERS.

THAT'S NOT A BAD TRADE.



YOU FOOL.
THAT'S A BAD TRADE
FOR ME.

KNIGHT RUN

NO 6

EP - PRAY
PART-4

"GLOOMY"